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Staff Changes for the United States Attorney's Office

U.S. Attorney Barbara L. McQuade today announced changes to the executive staff of the United States Attorney's Office.

These staffing changes will help the office carry out our responsibilities to serve the public," United States Attorney McQuade said.

Jennifer Gorland has been appointed to serve as First Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA). Gorland has been an Assistant United States Attorney for 21 years serving first in the Defensive Litigation Unit of the Civil Division then moving to the Criminal Division where she has been the Chief of the General Crimes Unit for the past five years. Prior to her service as an AUSA, Gorland was a litigation associate with Pepper Hamilton. She is a 1985 magna cum laude graduate of Wayne State University School of Law. She completed undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan in 1982. First Assistant Gorland will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the office.

Stephanie Dawkins Davis has been appointed to serve as Executive Assistant United States Attorney. Davis has been an Assistant United States Attorney for 12 years serving first in the Asset Forfeiture Unit of the Civil Division then moving to the Criminal Division's General Crimes Unit, and then on to the Controlled Substances Unit where she has acted as the Deputy Chief of the Controlled Substance Unit and USAO Liaison to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Office. Prior to her service as an AUSA, Davis practiced as a senior civil litigation associate at Dickinson, Wright, PLLC. She is a 1992 graduate of Washington University Law School in St. Louis. She completed undergraduate studies at The Wichita State University in Wichita, Kansas. As Executive Assistant Davis will focus on prevention efforts and community outreach.

Daniel Lemisch has been appointed to serve as the Chief of the Criminal Division. Lemisch has been an Assistant United States Attorney for eleven years, serving first as an AUSA in the General Crimes Unit then subsequently moving to the Controlled Substance Unit where he has been the Deputy Chief. Prior to his service as an AUSA, Lemisch was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and the Chief of Appeals at the Oakland County Prosecutors Office. He is a 1989 graduate of the University of Detroit School of Law. He completed undergraduate studies at Temple University in Philadelphia.

Elizabeth Larin will continue to serve as the Chief of the Civil Division. Larin has been an Assistant United States Attorney for 24 years serving first as an AUSA in the Defensive Litigation Section for 22 years until being promoted to Chief in 2008. Prior to joining the United States Attorney Office, Larin was an associate at Sach, Waldman, P.C.. Larin is a 1980 graduate of Wayne State University School of Law. She completed undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan.

Patricia Gaedeke will continue to serve as the Chief of the Appellate Division. Gaedeke has been an Assistant United States Attorney since 1980 and has been the Appellate Chief for 23 years. She was the chair of the Appellate Chiefs' Working Group, representing all 93 U.S. Attorneys' offices, from 1999-2009. Gaedeke was hired by the

Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. through the honors program immediately after graduating from Wake Forest University Law School in 1977. She completed her undergraduate studies at Wake Forest University in 1974.

The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Michigan prosecutes civil and criminal matters on behalf of the United States of America and its agencies in the 34 counties that make up the eastern half of the state. The office currently employs approximately 206 personnel in three locations (Detroit, Flint and Bay City) and serves more than 6.5 million residents throughout the eastern part of Michigan.

